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** Indicates a new threat reported for the first time.

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Target: MORMON MISSION PRESIDENT

Place: Argentina, Buenos Aires

** The president of the Mormon Mission in Buenos Aires received two anonymous telephone calls which warned that he and his family

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should watch out. The caller was knowledgeable about the president's schedule.

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Target:	Argentina Diplomats	** The Argentine government has alerted its diplomats about a possible terrorist attack by a Paris-based group. The threat against the Argentine embassy in Belgium is probably part of this alert. The Argentine embassy in Paris was bombed on 23 July.
Place:	Europe Latin America	
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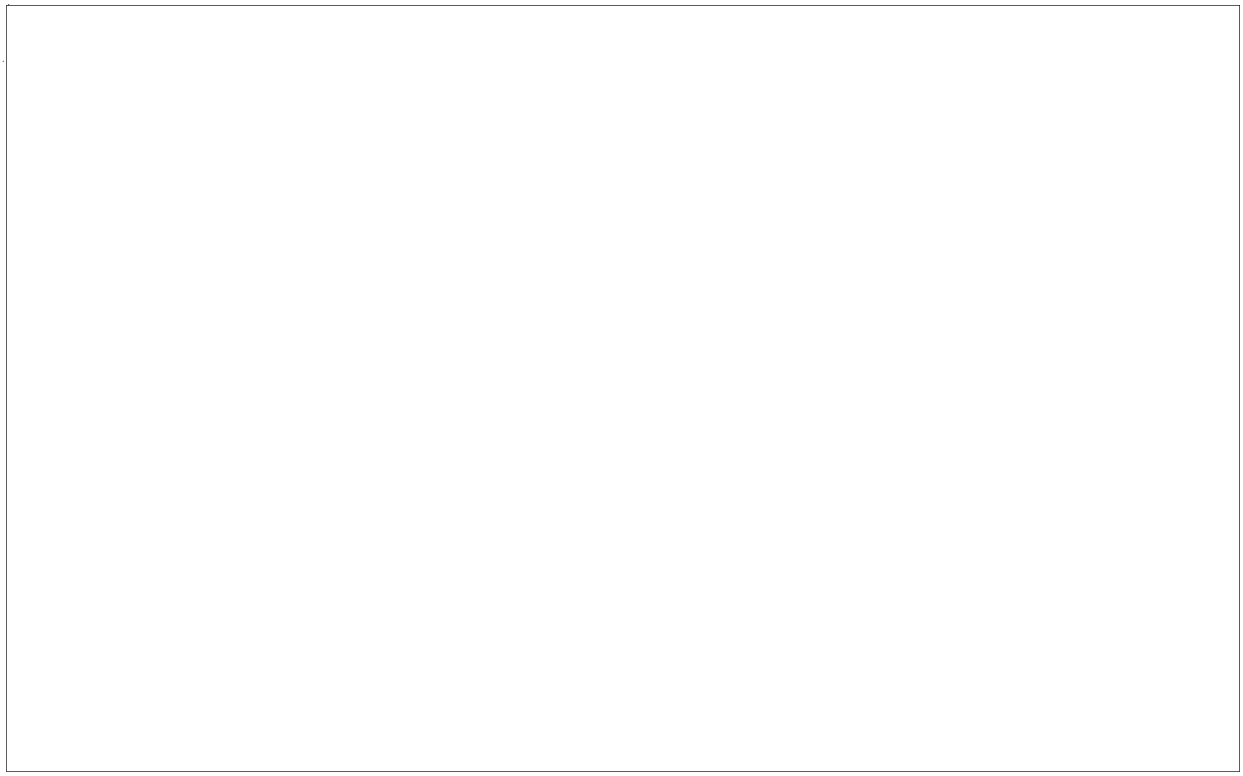

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Cuban Support to South American Subversives

According to Patricio Antonio Biedma, the Revolutionary Coordinating Junta (JCR) and national liberation movements within the southern cone of South America have received financial support from the Cuban government through diplomats in the Cuban embassy in Buenos Aires and through couriers.

Biedma, the representative of the Chilean Movement of the Revolutionary Left (MIR) in Argentina and the MIR representative within the JCR, was detained by Argentine authorities in early August. He succeeded Edgardo Enriquez, the Chilean MIR coordinator in the JCR and MIR representative in Argentina, who was killed in early April during a raid of a JCR meeting site near Buenos Aires by Argentine security forces.

Biedma said that Cuba currently is conducting a political and military training school for leftist subversives, and that Cuban funds and support are provided on a regular basis to the JCR, the Chilean MIR, the Argentine People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) and the Argentine Montoneros.

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In addition to the financial assistance received by the MIR, ERP, and Montoneros through direct payments from the Cuban embassy in Buenos Aires, a courier carried funds from Havana 3.3(b)(1) to 3.3(b)(1) Argentina. (SECRET/NOFORN/NOCONTRACT)

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Target:	U.S. BUSINESSES	Terrorists plan to attack U.S. businesses in Argentina between 19 and 22 August, according to a U.S. businessman who was so advised by a government security official. The terrorists plan to take over factories and blow up parts of them to halt production.
Place:	Argentina	
Date:	19-22 August 1976	

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Target:	Security Guards at Foreign Embassies	According to [redacted] doc 3.3(b)(1) provided to the U.S. embassy, the ERP and Montoneros have decided jointly to attack the security guards at the foreign embassies in Buenos Aires and targeted individuals will be killed. [redacted] 3.5(c)
Place:	Argentina, Buenos Aires	3.5(c)
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Target: Argentina Diplomats

Place: Europe Latin America

Date: Current

The Argentine government has alerted its diplomats about a possible terrorist attack by a Paris-based group.

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Target:	Security Guards at Foreign Embassies	According to documents provided to the U.S. embassy, the ERP and Montoneros have decided jointly to attack the security guards at the foreign embassies in Buenos Aires and targeted individuals will be killed. (See the 10 August issue, page B-I-1.)
Place:	Argentina, Buenos Aires	
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Booby-Trapped Packages Injure Officials of Foreign Firms in Argentina

Four persons were injured in Buenos Aires on 26 August when they opened package bombs mailed by unidentified persons to officials of six foreign firms, including four U.S. companies. The packages were delivered to officials of IBM, Ford Motor Co., a Ford subsidiary company, General Motors, Squibb Laboratories, and Renault Argentina. The bombs were concealed in small boxes of a type used for a popular pen and pencil set sold in Argentina. They were accompanied by transparent plastic flower boxes containing orchids. At the home of IBM chairman Benito Esmeroni, instructions had been given never to accept packages without knowing the sender. In this case the package was accepted from a messenger who said only that it came from a friend of the family. Esmeroni's daughter, although suspicious, opened the package carefully while standing as far away as possible. The explosion blew off her left hand and some fingers of the right hand. A security official later estimated that the explosion would have killed her had she bent over the package.

The other packages were delivered at factory offices. The director of Renault Argentina and the Ford subsidiary official also received severe injuries to their hands. The other recipients were suspicious and turned over the packages to factory guards or police, who detonated them. In one case a package detonated in an open yard left a one-meter crater in the ground. At Squibb, a policeman also sustained hand injuries while trying to neutralize the explosive.

In early 1976 at least eleven U.S. companies operating in Argentina received threatening letters from the Montoneros, but it is not known whether the above companies were threatened. Both the Montoneros and People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) have attacked foreign firms in the past, but both terrorist organizations generally make public claims of responsibility for their terrorist acts, for propaganda purposes. So far there is no evidence linking either of these organizations to the package bombs. [redacted] 3.5(c)

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Two Cuban Embassy Personnel Missing in Argentina

Two staff members of the Cuban embassy in Buenos Aires have been missing since 9 August, according to the Argentine news media. 3.3(b)(1)

Argentine security forces abducted the Cubans, who were believed to be providing support to the subversive People's Revolutionary Army (ERP). 3.3(b)(1)

the Cubans have been killed. 3.3(b)(1)

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the Cubans were kidnapped 3.3(b)(1)

and killed by the Cuban exile organization CORU. The exiles hope by this means to intimidate the Mexican authorities into releasing two Cuban exiles who attempted to kidnap the Cuban consul in Merida. (See the issues of 27 July and 10 August.) At this time it seems probable that Argentine

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security personnel are responsible for the abduction. The CORU leaders may simply be taking advantage of the publicity surrounding the disappearance of the two Cubans in order to enhance the image of CORU's terrorist capabilities. (SECRET/

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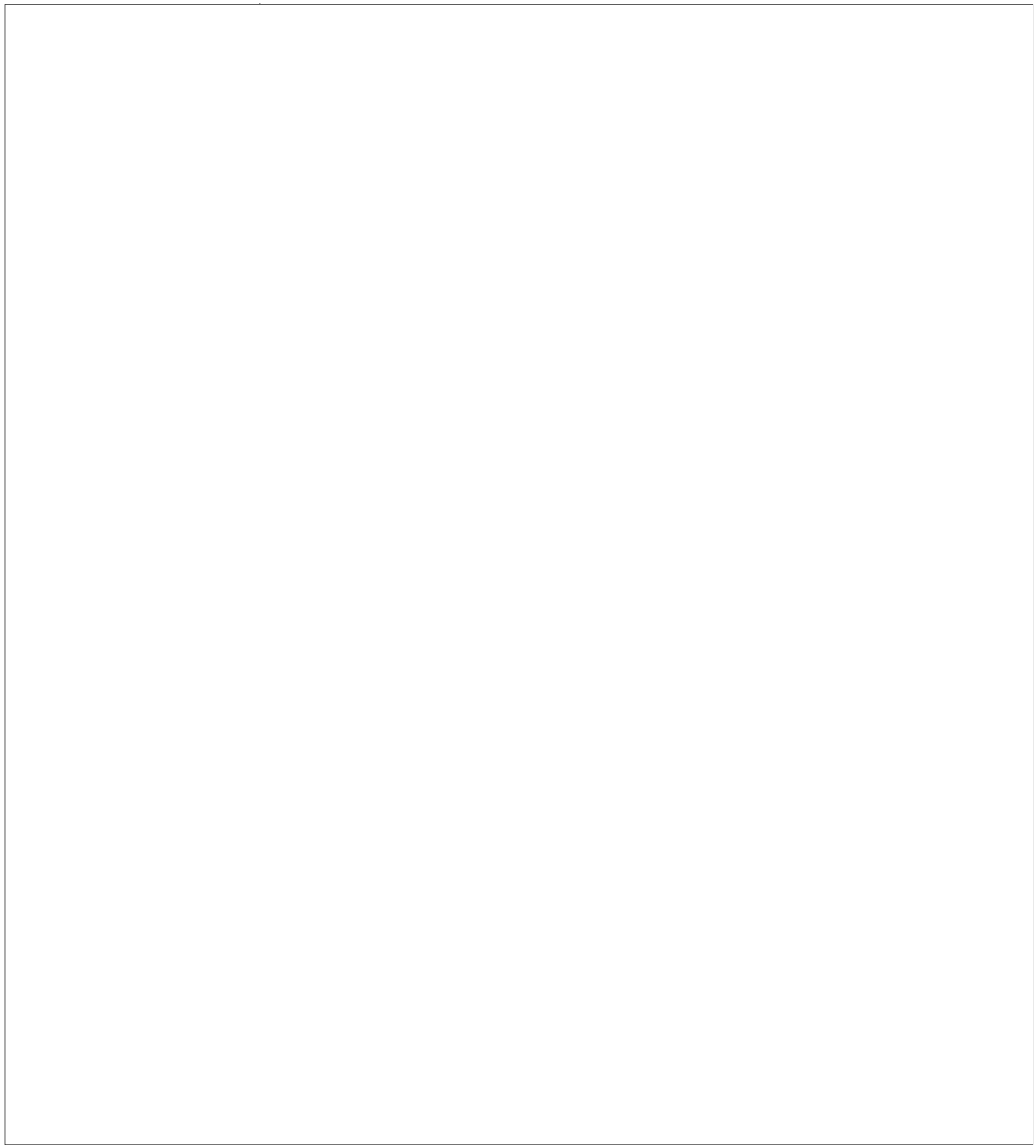

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CHRONOLOGY OF SIGNIFICANT INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST ACTS

Date: 27 August 1976

Place: Argentina, Buenos Aires

Flower Bombs in Buenos Aires

Three people were injured in separate incidents when bombs hidden in flowers and other gift packages exploded. One of the victims was associated with the Renault automobile company, another with IBM, and a third with a Ford subsidiary.

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